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of the constitution of government and its relation to the governed in Great Britain, the German Empire, France, Italy, Switzerland, Austria-Hungary, Belgium and the Netherlands, Scandinavia, Spain and Portugal. The last-named state affords a measure of the extent to which the volume has dealt with modern conditions, for it analyzes the Portuguese constitution of 1911, under which the republic is now operative.

Travels in the Pyrenees, including Andorra and the Coast from Barcelona to Carcassonne. By V. C. Scott O'Connor. xx and 348 pp. Map, ills., index. Dodd, Mead & Co., New York, 1913(?). $3. 9 x 6.

It is only with the eastern section of the Pyrenees, the home of the Catalan people, that this book is especially concerned. Throughout these regions, rich in scenery and history of the past, the author traveled, and as he traveled he wrote this book, "now in a hayfield upon a summer afternoon in Andorra, now under the awnings of some old Catalan inn, now to the sound of running waters in the quiet shelter of Vernet Park." And by writing on the very spot which he described, Mr. O'Connor has secured the atmosphere, the local color, better than he otherwise could have done. But it is not alone with personal experiences that the author deals; he also takes up, and that rather fully, the history, associations, and character of the people among whom he lived. Numerous photographs, several colored illustrations, and a sketch map of the Eastern Pyrenees are included. WILBUR GREELEY BURROUGHS.

Die Südrumänen der Türkei und der angrenzenden Länder. Beitrag zur Ethnographie der Balkanhalbinsel. Von Victor Lazăr. 344 pp. Map. G. Ionescu, Bukarest, 1910. 7½ x 5.

This unpretentious volume gives an admirable account of the essentials of the history of the Wallachs and a sympathetic treatment of their present life. The author is an official of the library staff of the Royal Academy of Rumania. His best work in this book deals with the life and thought of the common people. From his observations upon their habits we may gain an excellent impression of the sturdy qualities of these independent souls, whose proud boast is yet that they are Romans. In one chapter is a careful selection from the tradition literature of the Wallachs—ballads, folklore and fireside riddles. This material goes far to explain the intense national pride which has kept this folk apart from encroaching neighbors ever since the eastern empire went down before the barbarian and the Osmanli Turk.

Austria: Her People and Their Home Lands. By James Baker. xiv and 310 pp. Map, ills., index. John Lane Co., New York, $6.50. 9 x 6.

The author endeavors to draw the attention to what might be overlooked in Austria, rather than to emphasize the obvious. Therefore, in addition to descriptions of the various regions, he tells of the family life of peasant and well-to-do citizen, of the intellectual aspirations and amusements of the people, and gives brief accounts of the history of the several provinces, showing how the empire has been built up. He knows his topic. Donald Maxwell's illustrations in color are a feature. The book should appeal to travelers.

WILBUR GREELEY BURROUGHS.

Héroïsme et Patriotisme des Belges. L'œuvre civilisatrice au Congo. Par Commandant Adt. d'État Majr. Renier. viii and 364 pp. Ad. Herckenrath, Gand, 1913. Fr. 7.50. 11½ x 9.

Two themes interlace in this volume. One is to record the courage and devotion of these descendants of the Fleming and the Walloon, who fought for centuries their battles against Europe and, in more recent years, have been fighting the battles of civilization against the primeval savagery of Africa. The other theme is developed in a precise and entertaining summary of the sweep of exploration across equatorial Africa. The Congo Free State, now the Belgian Colony of the Congo, has been the target of much attack. At last the Belgians have begun to write their history of the Congo, and we are having

the other side of the story. It is a record of bravery in conquering obstacles of nature and of man, of fighting to advance the frontier of civilized life. Chapter by chapter the author unfolds the simple tales of great adventure, and through every chapter runs the proof that in their relations to the African savages the Belgians have been inspired by a sympathy with the inferior race and a wise toleration of the childhood of mankind. WILLIAM CHURCHILL.

La Bulgarie d'hier et de demain. Par L. de Launay, 3d edit. 494 pp. Ills. Hachette & Cie., Paris, 1912. Fr. 5.50. 7½ x 5.

A popular, geographical, historical and political work on Bulgaria. Its object is to make known to the French reading public the leanings toward France of the Czar and his Ministers. It begins with a concise history of the country from Roman times and then gives an account of the physical geography of the land, and the manners, customs, and dress of the people. A few words are given to the Jewish question in Bulgaria and a more extended account follows of the religious situation in the country, according to which the Latins strove to have the nation embrace the Roman faith in a body, the Greeks resented the desire of the people to have a patriarch independent of Constantinople, and the nation itself wished to have a national church of its own. The usual account is given of the siege of Plevna and of the baptism of the Catholic-born Prince Boris in the orthodox faith. DAVID H. BUEL.

OTHER BOOKS RECEIVED

These notes do not preclude more extended reference later

NORTH AMERICA

AMERICAN POLICY. The western hemisphere in its relation to the eastern. By J. Bigelow. 184 pp. Map, index. C. Scribner's Sons, New York, 1914. $1. 8 x 5½.

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PROVINCE OF THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE. Marine Biological Report. No. 1, for 1912 and for half year ending June 30, 1913. 70 pp. Ills., index. Govt. Printers, Cape Town, 1913. 10 x 6.

ATLANTIC ISLANDS

THREE YEARS IN TRISTAN DA CUNHA. By K. M. Barrow. xii and 280 pp. Map, ills. Skeffington & Son, London, 1910. 7s. 6d. 8½ x 5½.